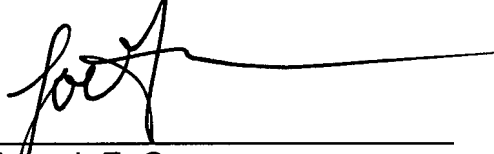


Early and favorable action on the merits of this application is respectfully  
requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joe Green', is written over a horizontal line.

Joseph E. Green  
Registration No. 60,197  
Attorney for Applicant  
ROTHWELL, FIGG, ERNST & MANBECK  
1425 K. Street, Suite 800  
Washington, D.C. 20005  
Telephone: (202) 783-6040